

Docket No: 38-10(15486)B

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Thomas P. Beals

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For: Methods for gene array analysis
of nuclear runoff transcripts

Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Ethan C. Whisenant

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AMENDMENT**FAX RECEIVED**Box Non-Fee Amendment
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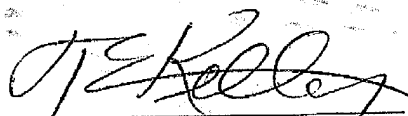
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed 12/04/2002 applicant requests claims 1-8 be cancelled and claim 9 be amended by adding the limitations of claim 8. A clean and marked-up version of claim 9 is attached..

This amendment serves to obviate the objection to claims 9-14 as being dependent on a rejected independent base claim. As there are no outstanding rejections of claims 9-14 applicant submits that they are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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